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subscribers will report any failure
to get their Leader, or any carelessness
on the part of the carrier.

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presence.

To the Marietta College Club, of Cin-
cinnati do we return our thanks for an
invitation to attend their twenty-second
annual re-union, at the University
Club rooms, Thursday evening January
23d.

THE Rocky Mountain News, holiday
edition, containing 40 pages, came to
our table yesterday. It is a very inter-
esting issue and contains many illus-
trations relating to the gold fields of
Colorado. L. W. Smith, member min-
ing exchange, has our thanks for the
paper.

WILLIAM ELDRIDGE was "Hoke
Smithed" last month to the extent of
33 1/3 per cent.

Under the '90 act he had been draw-
ing twelve dollars per month, but was
scaled down in December to eight dol-
lars. The gentleman's disability is of
a degree which prior to '90 would en-
title the pensioner to about \$24 per
month.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

A LITTLE CRISIS.

There come times in every city when
the powers that be have to decide
whether public improvements shall
stop or proceed. The conservatism of
Marietta has always, or nearly so, kept
her in the position of a follower rather
than a leader in the march of improve-
ment. There can be no reason why,
after being convinced of what is the
right thing to do, we should not go on
and do it, and not wait and see some
other city try it first.

The citizens want an electric car
line, incandescent lights and electric
power. The present generation would
like to enjoy these products of modern
civilization and not leave it all to pos-
terity. The company which bid for
the city electric light plant declare
that they cannot put in a new electric
street car line and plant for incandes-
cent lights and electric power without
they have the city street lights. Pub-
lic sentiment, it seems, is against sell-
ing the street light plant on terms of
deferred payment. Therefore, if the citizens
get these things they will have to help
themselves to them. The city light
plant ought to be moved out of the
City Hall. First, because the place is
not large enough to add any more ma-
chinery, and the present plant is taxed
to its utmost capacity; second, the
motion of the engine jars the hall so,
it is and has been inflicting serious in-
jury to the walls of the building; third,
if we enlarge the electric light plant
at all, it will have to be moved out
of the building; fourth, the fire depart-
ment needs all the room occupied by
the electric light plant.

WHAT CAN BE DONE.

There seems to be a necessity then,
in the very near future, of moving the
electric light plant out of the City Hall.
The question naturally arises, ought
the city, while it is doing this, make
the new building large enough to put
in machinery not only to accommodate
enlarged street light plant, but also
for incandescent and power plant, i. e.:
1.—Power for 150 arc lamps. We have
at present 109 street lights, five of
which the railroads pay for at the rate
of \$50 per light. 2.—Power for 2000 in-
candescent lights and 50 arc lights for
commercial purposes for the citizens,
to be furnished at such prices as the
cost, interest on bonds etc., all counted
in, will justify. 3.—Power to run
electric motors, for printing offices,
elevators, sewing machines, fans in
restaurants, barber shops etc., also,
power to run electric street cars, if any
company should make a favorable
proposition to put in an electric street
car line. In putting up the building
all these things could be provided for
by giving sufficient floor space, and
then put in simply the street light
plant and the commercial arc and in-
candescent light machinery, and leave
the power plant until some company
shall apply for power and then add
an additional engine, boiler and dynamo
for that purpose.

HOW TO DO IT.

Figures are now being studied over
by experts, or at least by men in whom
the citizens have confidence, and if the
Council decides that it is feasible and
does not cost too much, the proposi-
tion will be submitted to a vote, and
then the people can decide for them-
selves. It is their work, their plant
and their money, and they will get the
benefits, so they are the ones to decide.
Everywhere city ownership has been
tried, so far as heard from, it has proved
a success. Logansport, Ind., is the
latest example. Last year they made
a profit of \$10,000 from incandescent
and arc lights alone. They have 153
street arc lights and 4500 incandescent
lights, besides a few private arc lights,

the most to consumers being seven cents
per thousand watts, an exceedingly
low rate. Before the city purchased
the plant, rates to consumers were
nearly twice as high as now, and the
city paid \$100 a year for each arc light.
About half the people in the city use
the incandescent lights in their homes.
Receipts.....\$14,000
Profits in saving to city.....15,000

Operating expenses.....\$ 9,000
Interest on plant.....2,400
Depreciation.....1,000 12,400

Actual profit to city.....\$10,600

The people of Logansport are so well
satisfied over this showing that they
talk of setting a day for a jubilee or
celebration, in praise of the superior-
ity of municipal ownership over private.
Logansport was the first city in In-
diana to assume control of an already
existing private water works plant
and met with the same success in that
line. The tendency throughout the
country is all towards city ownership
of all plants of this kind.

AMONG THE DERRICKS.

A "BEAUTY" AT WAVERLY.

The Venture Oil Co's Big Jim well
has a rival at Eureka of such propor-
tions that many oil men are of the
opinion that it will eclipse the Big
Jim easily. The well is the Union Oil
Co's No. 1 on the Aaron Ruckman farm.
The top of the sand was penetrated
Saturday night and operations were
shut down. The well made a good
showing, but nobody expected a flow
until it was drilled in. Consequently
when it began spouting the greasy
fluid Sunday evening no little excite-
ment was occasioned. The flow in-
creased steadily, at 4 p. m. Monday the
well was putting out a magnificent
stream. It is practically a case of a
well drilling itself in, the sand being
very coarse. Experienced oil men,
while not pretending to estimate the
production in barrels, all agree that
the well is fully equal if not superior
in production to the Big Jim, from
which it is only about a thousand feet
distant. The Little Venture Co. will
have another well in today in close
proximity to the new gusher.

AT EIGHT MILE.

The Glendale Oil Company's Becker
well in the Berea sand, at Eight Mile,
is still having trouble in pumping.
The pump was started a few days ago,
but sanded immediately and had to be
taken out. It will be necessary to run
the tools in the well again and clean it
out.

Reader & Myers are building a rig
on the Rodgers farm about a mile west
of the Becker.

Barnes & Ogle's well on the Jas.
Mendenhall farm, which came in Satur-
day, looks like a good strike. It is
in the Berea sand about 1/2 of a mile
east of the Becker.

The Boston Oil Company's well on
William Mendenhall is expected to be
drilled in today. The Boston people
are also building a rig on the Berentz
farm and will move onto the Reneber
place today.

The Crown Oil Company are building
a rig on the William Mendenhall tract
and will go to the deep sand.

Sistersville, Jan. 13th.—Henderson's
No. 1, on the Amos, was tubed Thurs-
day, and is now doing 400 barrels daily.

Treat & Crawford's well on the Ste-
wart was shot yesterday, and it is
thought her present production of 25
barrels per day will be considerably
increased. Their No. 2 on the same
farm is down 500 feet.

Caldwell & Co. are moving their rig
on the Basil Dye farm. Plugged hole.

Governor MacGillivray & Co. are mov-
ing their rig on the DellaPlaine, one
half mile east of Graysville. Two
strings of tools in the hole.

The Eastern Oil company is reported
to have brought in a fine well in the
neighborhood of Charleston, recently.
This enterprising company is the owner
of considerable territory in the
Great Kanawha county, and are now
preparing to make two more ventures
for petroleum and will at once lower
the derrick.

A NEW SNYDER.

The Snyder Oil Co. got a nice well on
the Sharpe lease at Waverly on Mon-
day. Two other wells of this company
are going down on the same tract.

The "Popular" Loan.

Secretary Carlisle's advertisement for
bids on the \$100,000,000 popular loan
was posted in the Post Office Monday.
You can get any part of the loan you
want from \$50 up—if you bid high
enough.

A COSMOPOLITAN FACE.



—Life.

Nicotine Neutralized



MAIL POUCH TOBACCO

PURE,
HARMLESS,
SATISFYING.

No Chemicals
ANTI-NERVOUS
ANTI-DYSPEPTIC

CRIMES AMONG YOUTH.

Prevention Rules Sent Out to Legislatures
to Adopt.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 13.—President
Alexander Hoagland, of the Boys and
Girls National Home and Employment
association, has, by resolution to the
national board, forwarded to the gov-
ernors of the following ten states
where legislatures convene this win-
ter, the five laws regulating crimes
among youth:

Georgia, Alabama, Connecticut, Ken-
tucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Missis-
sippi, Ohio, Utah and Vermont. The
bill calls for no appropriation and can
be carried out by officials already in
office.

First—The restoration to their homes
of all truant and tramping youth found
in any of the cities, towns and villages
of each state.

Second—The opening of free county
intelligence offices in the office of the
county clerk in each county.

Third—Protection of children in the
homes of dissipated and immoral par-
ents.

Fourth—Imprisoning of all youths
apart from old criminals.

Fifth—Providing for boys and girls
and minor children in all cities, towns
and villages being at their homes after
nightfall.

ELECTROLYSIS.

The Underground Electric Wire System in
Pittsburgh a Failure.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 13.—Every under-
ground cable in Allegheny City, all
underground wires in Bellefield, part
of the system in East Liberty and also
in the west end, have been abandoned,
the downtown district practically be-
ing the only part of the system in the
two cities that has escaped the ravages
of "electrolysis." The wires af-
fected are the property of the
Central District and Printing Tele-
graph Co., otherwise known as the
Local Telephone Co. The wires af-
fected had recently been placed under
ground at a cost exceeding \$50,000.

In every case it is stated the electric
street railways are responsible for the
undesirable condition of affairs. The
water companies, telegraph compa-
nies, electric light companies, natural
and artificial gas companies have all
suffered damage to a large extent.
Overhead cables are being substituted
for the underground systems and ex-
perts are at work devising a plan to
assure protection to the buried con-
ductor wires.

EMPEROR TO CZAR.

William Tells His Side of the Transvaal
Story.

St. PETERSBURG, Jan. 13.—The auto-
graph letter of Emperor William to
the czar was brought to this city by
Prince Von Radolka, the German am-
bassador to Russia. The letter reviews
the general situation, especially the
Transvaal and Egyptian questions.
The czar told Prince Von Radolka
that he entirely concurred in the
views and aims of Emperor
William, who was taking the lead
against England's arrogance, and ad-
ded that the German emperor could
firmly rely on his support and the
support of the states friendly to Russia,
namely, France and the United States.
Prince Lobanoff-Rostovski, Russian
minister of foreign affairs, who was
present at the interview between the
czar and Prince von Radolka, commen-
ed an anti-English policy.

Died of Smallpox.

MARTIN'S FERRY, O., Jan. 13.—A
3-year-old daughter of George Snod-
grass died Sunday of smallpox, the sec-
ond death in the family.

Horrible Scaffold Accident.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.—Two men
were killed and another fatally in-
jured Monday afternoon by the break-
ing of a scaffolding upon which the two
were at work. The men were paint-
ers and they were at work on the out-
side of the building, No. 38 South Sec-
ond street, at the third floor. The
killed are: Edward Petrusky, aged 40
years, and Wm. D.—, aged 38 years.
Henry Peterson, a journeyman, 30
years old, was fatally hurt. Petrusky
was the contractor for the work, and
the other man killed (his full name is
not yet known) was his foreman. The
two men were killed instantly.

Entire Business Block Burned.

SHANON, Pa., Jan. 13.—An entire
business block was destroyed by fire at
5 o'clock Monday morning, entailing
losses aggregating \$10,000. Samuel
Malick, wholesale grocer, sustained a
loss of \$20,000; A. O. Sparr, jeweler,
\$5,000; L. J. Batdorf, notions, \$3,000;
buildings and smaller occupants, \$12-
000. The origin of the fire is un-
known.

President Kruger a Pennsylvanian.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 13.—A local
paper prints a story to the effect that
President Kruger, of the South African
republic, is a Pennsylvanian. It is
said that he was born in Mauch
Chauk, and went to South Africa 50
years ago. Through his energy and
military spirit he at once became a
leader among the Boers.

Packet-Boat Sinks.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 13.—The steam-
er Congo, of the Memphis and Cin-
cinnati Packet Co., Capt. Charles Church,
sunk Sunday night at Caruthersville,
Mo., 135 miles north of Memphis. No
lives lost. No further details have yet
been received.

More Peaceful.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Count Von Matz-
feldt, German ambassador to Great
Britain, has gone to Brighton, and his
departure from London is taken as a
sign that the Anglo-German situation
is becoming more peaceful.

It is a relief in the dreary rounds of
false comedy spectacular effusions and
melodramatic clap trap with which
the stage has of late been surfeited, to
find an actor intent upon maintaining
the better traditions, as is Charles A.
Gardner whose plays have always been
noted for their wholesomeness, as well
as for their dramatic worth. It can
truthfully be said of Mr. Gardner, who
will appear in "The Prize-Winner,"
and it is true of comparatively few
actors. He is original in interpreta-
tion and methods. He is certainly the
peer of all German comedians. He is a
natural, unaffected, pleasing repre-
sentative delineator of German Comedy,
to which add a fetching voice, and his
immense popularity is understood. In
his appearance here he will sing "Turn-
er's Triumph," "The German Flower
Girl," "Gesundheit," "A Butterfly
Song," "Wedding Bell," and the de-
lightful song "Apple Blossoms." A
genuine troupe of Tyrolean singers will
be heard in the songs and glee, and
seen in the national dances of their
country. The Eumaly children will
appear in a fetching specialty with
Mr. Gardner.

The U. S. Gov't Reports
show Royal Baking Powder
superior to all others.

Sacrifice Sale

OF 300 PAIRS ODD PANTS.

We find after invoice that we can not, and
will not carry them over and they MUST GO.
Prices from 35c to \$4.00. Some of them not
more than half former price. Country mer-
chants will find many lots among these great
bargains. 100 Knee Pants Suits will be closed
at two-thirds value. We have just closed out
from a large manufacturer a lot Men's Suits
and Overcoats in winter weights that will inter-
est every one needing such goods. Come and
see us!

S. R. Van Metre & Co.,
Wholesale. (Reliable Cash Clothiers) Retail

A "Before Inventory"

CLEARING SALE

We will be ready in a week or two to count
up stock; before that time every over-loaded
department must be reduced to invoice at the
right figures. No need to bother you with any
excuses or admission of mistakes. A long-
drawn-out merchandise story is a bore. To-
morrow we offer the following: Woolen Hose,
Blankets, Furs, Woolen Underwear, Mittens,
Gloves, etc., etc. Not a word about their cheap-
ness or quality; you are the best judge.

Knox, Jenvey & Allen, No. 168 Front
Street.

EXTRACT TONKA---Vanilla

Would be the proper label to put on most of the so-called Ex-
tracts Vanilla on the market, and as indicated by the differ-
ence in the size of the type, "TONKA--vanilla;" the TONKA is
in the majority while the vanilla is in the minority. Extract
made from TONKA resembles vanilla in odor and taste and
costs about \$10.00 less per pound, hence the cause for adul-
teration. But TONKA is very poisonous, as Prof. Kohler finds
that TONKA is a decided Narcotic, and is at first stimulant,
afterwards paralyzing to the heart. OUR VANILLA is made
from "Pure Mexican Vanilla Beans" only. Don't be deceived
by the fine appearance of the package, remember its the ker-
nel not the shell that signifies.

Putnam Street Pharmacy.

Closing Out Sale

of Ladies Fur Capes.

Genuine Persian Lamb, 30 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$50 00, now \$30.00.
Genuine Wool Seal, 30 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$40 00, now \$24.00.
Labrador Wool Seal, 30 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$30.00, now \$19.00.
Electric Seal, 30 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$40.00, now \$28.00.
Astrachan, 30 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$30.00, now \$19.00.
Astrachan, 30 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$15.00, now \$8.25.
French Coney, 30 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$12.00, now \$7.50.
French Coney, 27 in. long, 100 in. sweep,
former price \$9.00, now \$4.75.

We will move in room now occupied by C. W. Woodin about
February 1st, 1896.

W. A. Sniffen's Hat Store.

Facts.

All should know. The unnecessary fuel consumed in cast
stoves, and food spoiled by imperfect baking, added together
every two years, are equal in value to all the stoves and
ranges in the United States. Yet housekeepers say "I have a
good stove now, but will buy a

Majestic Steel Range

later." Many keep steadily on consuming extra fuel, putting
up with imperfect baking and only partly heating water, when
they could save money by buying a MAJESTIC and throwing
their old stove out of doors.

The Majestic Steel Range is no experi-
ment; it took 30 years to perfect it.

NYE HARDWARE CO.,

170 Front Street,

SOLE AGENTS,

Marietta, Ohio